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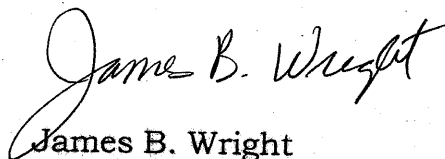
RE: Docket No. 02-00438; *Complaint of Aeneas Communications Against  
Citizens Communications in Weakley County, Tennessee*

Dear Chairman Kyle:

Enclosed please find an original and thirteen copies of Sprint Communications Company L.P. and United Telephone-Southeast, Inc. Joint Petition to Intervene in the above-referenced docket. Also enclosed is a check for fifty dollars for the filing fee for both companies.

A copy of this Petition is being served on counsel of record. Please contact me if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

  
James B. Wright

Enclosure

cc: Jonathan N. Wike, Hearing Officer (with enclosure)  
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SARA KYLE, COMMISSIONER  
TN PUBLIC SERVICE COMM.

BEFORE THE  
TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

*IN RE: Complaint of Aeneas Communications Against Citizens Communications in  
Weakley County, Tennessee  
Docket No.02-00438*

UNITED TELEPHONE-SOUTHEAST, INC. AND  
SPRINT COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY L.P.  
JOINT PETITION TO INTERVENE

United Telephone-Southeast, Inc. ("Sprint-United") and Sprint Communications Company L.P. ("Sprint"), pursuant to T.C.A. § 4-5-310 and T.C.A. § 65-2-107, hereby jointly petition the Authority for leave to intervene in the above-captioned proceeding, and in support thereof state as follows:

1. Sprint-United is a Virginia Corporation authorized to conduct business in the state of Tennessee as an incumbent local exchange company (ILEC), furnishes local exchange telephone service and other telecommunications services in the state of Tennessee and is subject to the jurisdiction of the Authority. Sprint is a Delaware partnership authorized to conduct business in the state of Tennessee as an interexchange carrier (IXC) and competitive local exchange company (CLEC), furnishes telecommunications services in the state of Tennessee and is subject to the jurisdiction of the Authority.

2. This Petition is filed more than seven (7) days before any scheduled hearing in this matter.

3. Sprint and Sprint-United respectfully request that they be granted leave to intervene and participate as parties in the above-captioned proceeding in that as

telecommunications service providers, the decisions regarding the rights and duties of an ILEC and CLEC with respect to transit traffic which is the subject of this proceeding may directly affect their legal rights, duties, privileges, immunities or other legal interests.

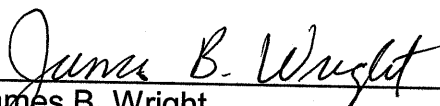
4. The interests of justice and the orderly and prompt conduct of the proceedings will not be impaired by allowing the intervention in that this petition is filed more than seven days before any scheduled hearing in this case.

WHEREFORE, Sprint and Sprint-United ask that:

- A. They be permitted to intervene in this proceeding and participate as parties.
- B. They have such other and further relief to which they may be entitled.

Respectfully submitted,

SPRINT COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY L.P.  
UNITED TELEPHONE-SOUTHEAST, INC.

  
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE  
Aeneas Complaint (Docket No. 02-00438)

The undersigned certifies that the foregoing Joint Petition to Intervene was served upon the following parties of record by hand-delivery, by fax or by placing a copy of the same in the United States Mail postage prepaid and addressed as follows:

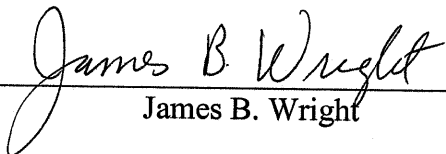
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Dated January 7, 2003

  
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